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SUBJECT: NMFS COMPLAINT AGAINST JAPANESE F/V SUMIYOSHI  
- MARU NO. 16

1. FEDERATION OF JAPAN TUNA FISHERIES COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS (JAPAN TUNA) HAVE REQUESTED NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS) TO WITHDRAW ITS COMPLAINT NOW BEFORE U.S. DISTRICT COURT, CANAL ZONE (BALBOA DIVISION) AGAINST THE JAPANESE TUNA LONGLINER SUMIYOSHI MARU NO. 16, OWNED BY SUMIYOSHI GYOGYO CO. VESSEL AND CREW HAVE BEEN RELEASED UPON PAYMENT OF US\$500,000 BOND TO THE COURT.

2. ACCORDING TO JAPAN TUNA FEDERATION, CHARGE CONCERNS ALLEGED VIOLATION OF 16 USC 1857 AND PERTINENT REGULATIONS OF 50 CFR 611--CATCH OF PROHIBITED SPECIED (BILLFISH). HOWEVER, JAPANESE CLAIM THAT CATCH WAS CONDUCTED BY ORDER OF NMFS OBSERVER C. FRANK HART ON BOARD THE VESSEL FOR PURPOSE MEASURING BILLFISH. SIZE; UPON OBSERVATION, ALL BILLFISH WERE RETURNED TO THE SEA.

3. COPIES OF LETTERS ON SUBJECT ARE BEING POUCHED EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT AND NMFS HELP IN EXPEDITING THIS CASE.  
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